

MEETING OF THE NORTHAMPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Thursday, August 12, 2021 ♦ 6:15PM – 10:35PM

Online Zoom Meeting

AGENDA

Pursuant to Governor Baker's [Emergency Order](#) Modifying the State's Open Meeting Law issued March 12, 2020, the August 12, 2021 meeting of the Northampton School Committee will be held using remote participation.

PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY DURING THE ZOOM MEETING FOR THE AUGUST 12, 2021 SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING. WRITTEN TESTIMONY IS ALSO ENCOURAGED FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT ATTEND THE VIRTUAL MEETING.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY/COMMENTS MAY BE SUBMITTED TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE CLERK AT: anniethompson@northampton-k12.us UNTIL 5 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2021 TO BE INCLUDED AS PART OF THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THAT MEETING.

JOIN ZOOM MEETING VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCING WEBSITE:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84984044901>

MEETING ID: 849 8404 4901

MEETING PASSCODE 457036

OR DIAL IN WITH TELEPHONE: +1 646 876 9923

YOU WILL BE PROMPTED TO ENTER THE MEETING ID

THEN YOU WILL BE PROMPTED TO ENTER A PARTICIPANT NUMBER IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A PARTICIPANT NUMBER, ENTER #

PLEASE WAIT TO BE RECOGNIZED BY THE CHAIR

THE CHAIR WILL RECOGNIZE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ORDER OF THEIR CALL

6:15PM: Executive Session: Request to Enter Executive Session under Massachusetts General Law Open Meeting Chapter 30A Sec 21(a)(2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel and Sec 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares. Specifically, to address:) a Level 3 grievance filed by NASE concerning the employment status of one of a Unit A member, 2) negotiations regarding a new Unit A positions, 3) strategy with respect to and arbitration matter and prohibited practice charges pending at the Department of Labor relations.

Agenda

6:45 I. Roll Call

6:50 II. Public Comment Period

7:05 III. Announcements

7:10 IV. Recommended Actions – (VOTE by Consent Agenda)

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The listing of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Mayor David Narkewicz	Ms. Dina Levi	Ms. Laura Fallon	Mr. Roni Gold
Mr. Lonnie Kaufman, Vice Chair	Ms. Rebecca Busansky	Ms. Kaia Goleman	Ms. Susan Voss
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A. Approval of minutes:

- School Committee Meeting, May 27, 2021

B. Donations:

- Donation: Samantha Prahbaker, \$1466.60, Diverse books from around the world for the Migrant Project
- Donation: Jackson Street PTO, \$15,000, Principal's priority to support JSS as needed
- Donation: Claire Lobdell and Dr. Mathew Barlow: \$1,750.00 Professional development materials on recognizing white nationalism
- Donation: Jostens, \$1010.00, Rewards Program for caps and gowns purchases
- Donation: Stop & Shop, \$3,632.59, Rewards Program

7:20 V. Reports and Recommendations (Subcommittees, administrators, special groups, liaisons, etc.)

A. Rules & Policy

Laura Fallon

B. Budget & Property

Rebecca Busansky

- First Reading: Draft Bias and Symbols of Hate Policy

C. Superintendent Evaluation

Sean Condon

D. Business Administrator Report

Nick Bernier

E. Personnel Report

Nick Bernier

F. Superintendent's Report

John Provost

8:00 VI. Old Business

8:05 VII. New Business

A. Presentation and VOTE: Revised DIP Metrics

John Provost

B. VOTE: MASC Delegate

Laura Fallon

C. VOTE: Section 504 Coordinator job description

John Provost

D. Discussion and possible VOTE: After school programs

Kaia Goleman

E. VOTE: to authorize the Chair to enter into negotiations with the Superintendent on successor contract

David Narkewicz

F. VOTE: CPPI Job descriptions

John Provost

G. VOTE: Farm to School

John Provost

H. VOTE to endorse House Bill 458 Relative to Improving Pesticide Protection for Massachusetts School Children

Rebecca Busansky

I. VOTE: To adopt the city pesticide ordinance or refer the issue to the Rules & Policy subcommittee to develop a policy

Rebecca Busansky

J. VOTE: To surplus 3 school roofs for solar array lease

John Provost

K. VOTE: To surplus specialized equipment for sale

Nick Bernier

L. VOTE: One-year math interventionist at JFK

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M. Update: Retreat

Lonnie Kaufman

9:25 VIII. School Committee discussion topics

9:30 IX Executive Session: Request to Enter Executive Session under Massachusetts General Law Open Meeting Chapter 30A Sec 21(a)(2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel and Sec 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares. Specifically, to address:) a Level 3 grievance filed by NASE concerning the employment status of one of a Unit A member, 2) negotiations regarding a new Unit A positions, 3) strategy with respect to and arbitration matter and prohibited practice charges pending at the Department of Labor relations.

10:30 X. Future Business and Meeting Dates (all meetings will be held via Zoom conferencing until further notice):

- Negotiating Subcommittee, Thursday, August 19, 2021, 1:30PM
- School Committee Meeting, Thursday, September 9, 2021, 6:45PM
- School Committee Meeting, Thursday, September 23, 2021, 6:45PM
- School Committee Meeting with Student Advisory Council, Thursday, October 14, 2021, 6:15PM

10:35 XI. Adjourn

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